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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: ELAB, ILO, CA

SUBJECT: GOC VIEWS ON ILO STRUCTURE

REF: PARIS 00829; 00969; 01007; LUSAKA 0082

1. GOC DEL TO ILO MAINWARING APPRECIATED LABATT'S BRIEFING RE HOROWITZ DISCUSSIONS ON ILO MATTERS WITH VENTEJOL, SAINT-LEGIER, FORWARD AND BLANCHARD. HE WAS FAVORABLY SUPRISED BY FORTUIT'S CATEGORIC ASSURANCE THAT FRANCE SUPPORTS U.S. POSITION ON STRUCTURE ALTHOUGH MAINWARING RETAINS STRONG DOUBTS THAT U.S. COULD RELY ON FRANCE AND OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES OF CHIEF INDUSTRIAL IMPORTANCE TO HOLD FIRM IN CASE IT COMES TO RATIFICATION VOTE ON ILO CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. MAINWARING ASSURED US THAT GOC WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE FULL SUPPORT TO U.S. POSITION ON STRUCTURE WHICH IS "TOUGHER THAN GOC WOULD LIKE" AS LONG AS THERE IS CHANCE OF SUCCEEDING. (COMMENT: MAINTENANCE OF STATUS QUO OF OBVIOUS INTEREST TO GOC).

2. MAINWARING FELT THAT HIS PROPOSAL CALLING FOR ABOLISHING CONFIDENTIAL.

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NON-ELECTIVE SEATS BUT PROVIDING ASSURANCES OF MEMBERSHIP FOR STATES OF CHIEF INDUSTRIAL IMPORTANCE ON REGIONAL BASIS SHOULD BE SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED AS FALL-BACK POSITION. HOWEVER, THIS PROPOSAL WILL NOT BE FORMALLY MADE BY GOC FOR TIME BEING. HOROWITZ HAS COPY OF FULL PROPOSAL. IN GOC'S VIEW AGO PROPOSAL IS DEAD AND NOT WORTH SHEDDING TEARS OVER IT.

3. IF MEETING OF 6 WESTERN GOVERNMENT REPS WITH HOROWITZ IN GENEVA EARLY FEBRUARY WERE TO MATERIALIZE (PARIS 829, PARA 3E), MAINWARING WOULD WITHDRAW HIS EARLIER REQUEST FOR LARGER IMEC MEETING IN SPRING (STATE 293943 AND GENEVA 9484).

4. STATE 008752 RECEIVED AFTER LABATT'S DISCUSSION WITH MAINWARING. WILL REPORT AFTER FURTHER DISCUSSIONS HAVE BEEN HELD WITH GOC. ENDERS

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